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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid State Treasurer.....	\$1,431 25
“ County Treasurer... ..	613 69
	—————\$2,044 94

SCHOOL MONEY, LITERARY FUND AND DOG TAX.

Paid District No. 1 in full.....	\$62 27
“ “ “ 2 “	72 93
“ “ “ 3 “	186 91
“ “ “ 4 “	83 44
“ “ “ 5 “	99 21
“ “ “ 6 “	94 94
“ “ “ 7 “	118 98
“ “ “ 8 “	88 18
“ “ “ 3 in Candia.....	1 28
	—————\$808 14

PRINTING, STATIONERY AND BLANK BOOKS.

1868.—Paid Wm. H. Fisk for printing Town Reports for year ending March, 1868.....	\$32 00
Paid Wm. H. Fisk for $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. blank check lists ..	72
1869.—Feb. 15, J. Lufkin for paper, ink, envelopes, stamps and blanks used during the year.....	8 45
	—————\$41 17

COLLECTOR, SUPERINTENDENT SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND TOWN CLERK'S SERVICES.

Paid Jacob Lufkin, Collector, for collecting	
\$8.94 28, at 9 mills	\$80 50
Paid F. Crombie, services as Committee	35 00
E. G. Preston, services as Town Clerk	19 16
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	\$134 66

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Chas. E. Dndley, wood for Donavan girls	\$40 00
Insane Asylum for board and other expenses of John Colby, for 1 year to Feb. 1 1869	228 61
Paid Charles C. Grant's Bill—	
1868. April 3, 8 feet wood delivered Sarah Seavy	6 00
Nov. 23, 9 " " "	7 88
Dec. 11, 9 " " "	7 88
Dec. 18, 10 " " "	8 75
Oct. 19, cash paid for shoes for Alfred Seavy	1 75
Oct. 19, 4 yards flannel for A. Seavy	1 00
Oct. 19, yarn for socks	1 00
Dec. 30, cash paid for boots	3 00
Dec. 30, cash paid for school books	1 25
Paid Sarah Seavy for board of Alfred Seavy from March 1, 1868, to Jan. 2, 1869	88 00
May 11, cash paid Mrs John Hayes	5 00
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	\$131 50
Paid James M Crombie for board of Moses Crombie from Feb 1, 1868, to March 1, 1868	18 32
Paid Henry Saltmarsh for supplies deliv'd Mrs John Hayes.	96 17
Alice Reid for boarding Warren Kelly from April 29, to June 9	18 00
Paid John E Russel for boarding Warren Kelly from June 9 to Sept 27, 15 weeks, at \$3 per week	47 14
Paid T Wheat for medical attendance on Warren Kelly	5 00
J E Russell for boarding W Kelly from Sept 27 to Feb 13 at \$2 50 per week (in part)	30 00
Paid T Wheat, medicine for W Kelly	1 50
H Salmarsh, goods delivered Jeremiah Wescott	5 06
Lewis Saddabush for boarding Phillip Leaf, wife and 2 children, 6 days	10 00
Paid Harrison Preston for keeping transient person	1 00
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	\$636 81

BREAKING UP HIGHWAYS.

1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865.

L H Coburn	1 00	J H Patten	75
T J Crombie	1 00	A Heselton	4 20
E O Prescott	3 00	W M Proctor	1 65
A Pratt	9 00	W M Barnum	3 00
C W Calef	5 40	W A Heselton	3 00
M. B. Davis	1 80	E M Leavitt	19 35
A Dinsmore	14 00	A Morse	2 25
A Morse	3 00	R McKinley	2 25
C C Grant	6 00	A F Fox	19 10
John Graham	1 50	John M Hall	2 25
Wm G Brown	2 40	J Pingree	19 35
R S Clark	1 50	A Hook	3 22
Benj Chase	4 42	H G Smith	37
S Kimball	10 65	E D Eaton	37
C H Patten	1 80	J Lufkin	97
G K Eaton	2 40	A D Emery	2 40
E Watson	5 16	C H Lee	6 00
S M McDuffee	13 50	Asa B Heselton	2 25
J B McKinley	1 50	A J Heselton	2 25
H Dockham	13 86	Frank Brown	2 85
E Plummer	2 00		

\$243 62

IMPROVEMENTS ON HIGHWAYS.

Paid J. Lufkin.....	\$	50
L. Melvin.....		85
T. J. Crombie.....		21 90
E D. Eaton.....		13 62
Wm. Emery.....		3 00
G. P. Clark.....		16 65
J. C. Crombie.....		23 00
J. B. McKinley.....		6 25
Wm. M. Neal.....		2 30
A. Dinsmore.....		5 40
C. P. Emery.....		8 37
C. H. Patten.....		54 50
G. Ried.....		8 00
R. Patten.....		11 50
G. G. Griffin.....		16 64
S. Morse.....		1 95
S. Morse.....		2 70
H. Dockham.....		1 50
J. Whittemore.....		1 50
J. W. Merrill.....		3 97
N. K. Taylor.....		10 03
D Donovan.....		10 45
N. K. Taylor.....		90

\$225 48

NON-RESIDENT HIGHWAY TAXES WORKED OUT.

Paid Wm. Moore, District No. 7.....	\$ 4 22
E. D. Eaton, " ".....	4 72
J. C. Crombie, " ".....	6 71
C. H. Patten, " ".....	33 53
G. B. Sanford, " ".....	38 87
G. K. Eaton, " " 1.....	10 15
E. Plumer, " " 10.....	4 23
H. Dorkhan, " " 11.....	2 48
J. M. Hall, " " 4.....	18 39
N. K. Taylor, " " 5, 1867.....	2 17
S. Varnum, " " 2.....	3 96
C. P. Emery, " " 6.....	48
J. Willoughby, " " 5.....	3 95
H. Dockham, sundry certificates of taxes worked out by non-residents.....	17 75
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	\$152 11

EMERSON ROAD.

Paid John B. Rand, for building 272½ rods of road.....	\$685 02
" " " 1 culvert.....	5 00
John Emerson, for 91 rods road.....	182 00
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	\$872 02

DEBTS PAID.

March 25, paid Manson M. Brickett, note and interest, \$	80 43
Abby M. Brickett, " "	49 60
24, Jabez Green.....	60 00
April 13, George S. Neal, note and interest.....	953 28
" " " interest.....	4 90
May 5, " " note and interest.....	1172 50
8, D H Blaisdell.....	23 00
16, Hidden Brown, S Morse's note.....	239 25
June 27, Eliza J Dame.....	100 00
19, Eliza J Brown.....	35 00
July 6, A F Fox, on M J Dearborn's note.....	500 00
22, A D Emery.....	100 00
28, Levi Preston, on J R Preston's note.....	25 00
Aug 6, Eliza J Brown.....	90 00
24, Alfred D. Emery.....	100 00
Sept 2, " " in full.....	176 03
Lucinda Patten, interest.....	60 00
28, John Ordway, interest.....	191 01
John Ordway.....	10 00
Nov 6, A F Fox, note and interest.....	104 60
" "	222 84
" "	164 98

Nov 6, A. F. Fox, note and interest.....	248 76
20, " J Willoughby's note and interest...	80 25
Dec 26, Gilman Richardson, J. L. Neal's note.....	413 33
Jan 15, S K Holmes, interest.....	24 00
Edward Prescott.....	400 00
2, Pike Chase, interest.....	3 90
Hannah S Chase, interest.....	26 24
Feb 12, Amherst Coult.....	125 00
15, Hannah Colby, interest.....	12 00
18, Amherst Coult, note and interest.....	165 83

\$5,961 73

ABATEMENT OF TAXES AND DISCOUNT.

ON J. LUFKIN'S LIST, 1867.

Charles Ray, dog.....	\$ 1 00
J Westcott, unable to pay.....	6 48
Huntoon Place, wrong tax.....	21 90
J Hutchinson, paid poll tax in Massachusetts.....	6 48
D R Ball, paid poll tax in Londonderry.....	6 48
James E Barrett, gone from town.....	6 48
Albert Plumer, do.....	6 48
David G Wheeler.....	12 78
Marsh Kendall, left the State.....	1 62
McGregor Place, wrong tax.....	13 75
James McGregor, gone from town.....	6 88
Coult & Clark, overtaxed.....	2 70
David H Young, do.....	2 70
Leroy Sherburn, gone from town.....	6 88
Charles P Griffin, do.....	6 48
Alexander M Philip, do.....	6 48

\$115 57

H. DOCKHAM'S LIST FOR 1868.

Henry H Dickey, paid in Londonderry.....	\$ 3 52
Nathan T Brown, gone from town.....	3 32
Henry A Houghton, wrong tax.....	1 00
Parker & Simons, do.....	4 70
Shirley, Haynes & Wallace, do.....	3 32
Kimball & Harwood, do.....	16 12
Stephen H Reed, deceased.....	2 52

\$34 50

H Dockham's bill, discount allowed to those who paid
their taxes prior to December 1, 1868:

Resident.....	\$55 64
Non-resident.....	12 10

\$67 74

\$217 81

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

John B Clark, school certificates	\$ 1 50
J Lufkin, cash paid I W Smith for legal advice.....	2 00
1867.—April 3.	
Morrison & Stanley for advice in the J Moore matter....	5 00
R S Clark, watering trough, 1 year.....	2 00
J Lufkin, Timber for post guide.....	2 00
R McKinley, watching for sheep dog 1 night.....	2 00
W H Lufkin, " " " "	1 50
Eastman & Cross, paid lawyer in Virginia for taking deposition in the Huntoon case.....	20 00
Pike Chase, for use of Cong. vestry for town purposes for the year 1868.....	20 00
M R Proctor, care of hearse house & burying ground 1 y'r	3 00
John Davis, watering trough.....	2 00
A F Fox, procuring and distributing town accounts.....	8 50
A Hook, damage to plow in District 13.....	3 00
C C Grant, paid S Upton for legal advice in regard to the Welch family.....	1 00
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	\$73 50

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSES.

Jacob Lufkin's bill.....	\$33 26
Charles C Grant.....	19 55
Arthur Dinsmore.....	9 58
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	\$62 39

SELECTMEN'S SERVICES.

Jacob Lufkin's bill.....	\$65 99
Charles C Grant.....	36 00
Arthur Dinsmore.....	21 00
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	\$122 99

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Town of Auburn in account with J. Lufkin, Treasurer. Dr.	
Paid State and County taxes.....	\$2,044 94
School money, literary fund and dog tax.....	808 14
Printing, stationery and blank books.....	41 17
Collector's services.....	80 50
Superintending School Committee's services.....	35 00
Town Clerk.....	19 16
Support of Paupers.....	636 84
Breaking out Highways.....	243 62
Improvements on Highways.....	225 48
Non-resident highway taxes worked out.....	152 11
Emerson road.....	872 02

Debts paid	5,961 73
Abatement of taxes and discount.....	217 81
Miscellaneous bills.....	73 50
Selectmen's expenses.....	62 89
Selectmen's services.....	122 99
Services and expenses of auditors and expenses of selectmen.....	6 84
Balance in the treasury.....	1,353 93
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	\$12,958 64

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

Town of Auburn in account with J. Lufkin, Treasurer.	Cr.
By balance in the treasury...	\$ 852 62
Received of—	
J Lufkin, collector for 1867.....	2,349 32
H Dockham, collector for 1868, in part.....	3,750 00
State Treasurer, savings bank tax.....	329 65
State Treasurer, railroad tax.....	54 50
State Treasurer, literary fund.....	37 90
State Treasurer, U. S. bounties.....	486 00
H Dockham, collector for 1866, in full.	140 00
County of Rockingham.....	132 37
Manchester savings bank, interest.....	32 20
Borrowed of—	
Sylvanus Morse.....	1,500 00
Daniel H Blaisdell	2,300 00
Aura Channon.....	50 00
Gilman Richardson.....	400 00
William H Underhill.....	550 00
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	\$12,958 64

STATEMENT.

The Town of Auburn owes the following notes, including interest.

Hidden Brown to March 7	\$1,584 30
Sarah Chase to Feb 18.....	114 03
Pike Chase to March 3.....	429 50
Robert Patten to March 10.....	205 72
Hugh B Cochran to March 10.....	163 48
Pike Chase to March 3.....	97 68
James R Preston to March 10.....	731 16
Samuel Jones to March 1.....	3,983 35
William Hoyt to March 10.....	391 98
Congregational Society to March 16.....	65 98
Hannah S Chase to March 16	104 24
Mary Patten to Feb 16.....	780 20
Eliza J Brown to Feb 22.....	158 91
Sarah J Severance to Feb 22.....	414 79

Malinda E Severance to Feb 22.....	390 10
Lucinda Patten to March 2.....	518 93
Hannah Colby to March 11.....	207 14
David B Dickey to March 4.....	123 50
David B Dickey to March 7.....	236 24
Stephen Pingree to March 7.....	650 17
Samuel Anderson to Feb 16.....	129 01
Amherst Coult to March 1.....	908 76
Ephriam K Rowell to March 1.....	1,000 85
Amasa Brown to March 1.....	1,507 82
Robert Patten to March 1.....	79 77
Eliza J Dame to Feb 18.....	614 47
George D Totman to Feb 27.....	120 28
John Ordway to Feb 13.....	1,013 10
Jabez Green to Feb 1.....	1,060 00
Amasa Brown to March 8.....	62 81
Esther Goldsmith to Feb 17.....	54 80
Mary A Dearborn to March 1.....	225 78
Samuel Jones to March 1.....	1,239 59
Esther Goldsmith to March 5.....	38 76
Charles E Young to March 1.....	440 96
Salome Burnham to March 1.....	380 50
A M D Philips for Nellor heirs to March 1.....	501 52
Robert Hills to March 1.....	360 05
Isaac Hall to Feb 23.....	266 97
Mehitable Plummer to March 10.....	107 59
George A Wood to March 1.....	321 18
Susanna K Holmes to March 1.....	403 06
Edward Prescott to March 8.....	501 90
Samuel Anderson to March 8.....	159 79
Sylvanus Morse to March 1.....	1,575 00
Daniel H Blaisdell to March 8.....	2,415 00
Aura Shannon to March 18.....	52 50
Gilman Richardson to March 1.....	404 00
William H Underhill to Feb 22.....	550 00

\$27,847 16

Due from J Lufkin, collector for 1867.....	\$240 95
Due from United States, as reported in 1864..	378 00
Due from John Moore.....	62 91
Due from H Dockham, collector for 1868.....	1224 14
Balance in the Treasury.....	1353 93

\$3259 93

Balance against the town.....\$24,587 23

JACOB LUFKIN, } Selectmen
CHARLES C. GRANT, } of
ARTHUR DINSMORE, } Auburn.

Auburn, Feb. 22, 1869.

Auburn, Feb. 22, 1869.

This certifies that we have this day examined the above account of the Selectmen and town Treasurer, and find the same correctly cast, with proper vouchers for the several charges, and we recommend that the town allow the same.

KENDRICK EMERY	}	Auditors.
WELLS C. UNDERHILL,		
FRANKLIN CROMBIE,		

SCHOOL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR 1868-9.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Both the Summer and Winter Terms of this school were taught by Miss Lois E. McDuffee, of Auburn. Though it was her first effort at teaching, we thought her labors were attended with marked success. She was much interested in the improvement of her scholars, and evidences of it were very perceptible at the examinations. The neatness of the writing-books deserve particular commendation.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

There was but one term of this school kept in the Autumn by Miss Mary S. Bickford. This school was her first experience, and as she was quite young, some fears were entertained by the committee as to her ultimate success. We visited the school twice while it was in progress. It appeared to be quiet and orderly, and we believe general satisfaction was given in the district. The committee was not notified and consequently not present at the examination.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

The Summer term was taught by Miss Mary F. Pingree, of Auburn. At the examination of this school, the order was good, and the evidence of thorough and efficient instruction very apparent. The Winter term by Mr. Samuel T. Page, a student at Dartmouth College. Mr. Page appeared rather to govern by mild and persuasive methods, than in an arbitrary manner. As a consequence, the scholars all appeared happy and contented at examination. The recitations were generally prompt and accurate, and much has doubtless been done for the cause of education by the Winter term.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Both the Summer and Winter terms were taught by Miss Louisa B. Adams, of Derry. Miss Adams manifested much interest in her school, and a readiness and cheerfulness in imparting instruction to her scholars. Perhaps a lack of thoroughness may be mentioned as a defect in her method of teaching, and her register returned to the committee very imperfect.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

The Summer and Winter terms were both taught by Miss Anna M. Dockham, of Auburn, and were her first experience in teaching. The school is quite small, and needs the stimulus of numbers on both teacher and scholars. Miss Dockham's success was as good as could reasonably be expected, nor do we doubt her ability of becoming a first class teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Both terms of this school were taught by Miss Ella F. Hanson, of Auburn. This school is also small, and the above remarks in relation to No. 5 are applicable also here. Miss Hanson was kind and affectionate in the school room, and evidence of improvement was very perceptible at the examination.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

The Summer term in this district was taught by Miss Lucy H. Wilson, from Vermont. Miss Wilson manifested much interest in her school, and was very desirous, we think of doing well. The school at the close indicated a fair degree of progress, though we were sorry to notice several of the larger scholars were absent.

The Winter term by Mrs. Nancy M. Rowell. Mrs. Rowell has been favorably known in town as teacher in former years. The committee visited the school twice while it was in progress, but it closed unexpectedly a few days before the end of the term, and there was no examination. It is but justice to the teacher to say, that she was excused from further service by the prudential committee at her own request.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

The Summer term was taught by Miss Sarah E. Fox, of Auburn. This school was the first effort of Miss Fox at teaching, and was also in her own district. So far as we could discover in our visits she was firm and steady in her government, and possessed of that mildness that commands respect, and gains the affection of the children. The school appeared well at the examination.

The Winter term by Miss Sarah A. Ball. At our first visit, the school appeared orderly and quiet, though not large, and gave promise of much usefulness during the term. The school is still in progress, having several weeks yet to keep.

GENERAL REMARKS.

As annual reports are made by thy school-committees of all the towns in the State, more than two hundred in number, much originality of thought or expression can hardly be expected from each one: especially where, as has been the case in Auburn during the past year, but little has happened out of the usual school course.

SCHOOL DISCIPLINE.

Much has been written and spoken of late years on the above subject, and many of the practices of former times have disappeared before the advance of a humanitarian age. It may, we think, safely be said to teachers, that no method of punishment which is likely injuriously to effect the health of the scholars, or destroy permanently the contentment and happiness which should dwell in the school room, will be looked upon with much favor at the present day. Much no doubt may be accomplished in this direction, by moral influences, kindly and in the right spirit brought to bear on the mind of the pupil;—by a system of merits and de-merits;—and by various other expedients, which the ingenuity of the teacher can often devise;—and sometimes it may be necessary to inflict mere physical pain, where “the evil ends in itself;” judiciously and as a last resort.